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CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California

Minutes of the ACADEMIC SENATE

April 30, 1996

UU 220 3:10-5:00pm

- I. Minutes: MSP to approve the minutes of April 2, 1996.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): The chair announced that nominations are now open for Senate Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. He also noted that Academic Senate results and the list of faculty selected to receive PSSIs are included in the meeting packet.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: no report
 - B. President's Office: no report
 - C. Provost: Last Tuesday's meeting with the Chancellor regarding the Cal Poly Plan was very positive. The emphasis will be to focus on the Plan as a model for the system. The Chancellor will propose to the Board of Trustees in May that Chancellor be given the authority to approve campus based fees. In July the Chancellor will go back to the Board with the Cal Poly Plan and will say that this is the one that he intends to approve.
 - D. Statewide Senators: Hale. A draft of Executive Order related to the ELM and EPT will ask that students take these tests before they are accepted, that they not be able to register until they've done so, and that if they are directed to remedial work, they must begin that immediately. Kersten: Statewide Senate has been involved with Trustee policy on fees. It seems relatively benign as it stands now. However there is some concern about doing away with the option of miscellaneous fees related to specific courses.
 - E. CFA President: CFA and Chancellor's bargaining team are currently negotiating salary augmentations for next year. CSU is pushing to use 40% of available money for PSSIs.
 - F. Staff Council Representative: The Resolution on Earthquake Preparedness will be voted on at the next Staff Council meeting.
 - G. ASI: no report
 - H. IACC is looking at the campus roundtable on teaching effectiveness through technology and at the relation between IACC and the Senate regarding the information competency issue.
 - I. Other: The CSU Council on International Programs now is sending 85 students to 11 countries. (William Martinez)
- V. Business Items:
 - A. Resolution on Department Name Change for the Agricultural Engineering Department
MSP to approve the Resolution on Department Name Change for the Agricultural Engineering Department.

- B. **Resolution on Curricular Structure.** An amendment entitled, "Resolution on Curricular Structure (alternative) was offered by Jack Wilson. The Chair ruled that it was incompatible with the original motion and thus was a substitute motion. MSP to approve the substitute motion entitled, "Resolution on Curricular Structure (alternative).
- C. **Resolution on Policy and Review Procedures for Discontinuance of an Academic Program:** first reading. It was noted that a clear definition of the term, "academic program," is needed.
- D. **Rescission of Portion of Resolution on General Committees regarding the nonvoting status of Academic Senate committee chairs.** MSP to set the rules aside. MSP that on page 28 of the April 9, 1996 Senate agenda, at VII. C of the new wording of the Constitution of the General Faculty and Bylaws of the Academic Senate, in the last line on page 28 "voting" be substituted for "nonvoting ..." the last line be amended to read, "If the chair is chosen from outside the committee, the fact that one school may have two votes will be taken into account by the Academic Senate when it acts of the recommendation of its standing committee." This amendment gives the chairs of Academic Senate committees the right to vote whether they are chosen from within or outside the committes.
- E. **Resolution on External Review.** first reading.
- F. **Resolution to Approve Procedures for External Program Review:** first reading
- G. **Resolution on Proposal to Establish an Environmental Biotechnology Institute:** first reading. Considerable time was spent in discussing how to ensure that there is not overlap between institutes.
- H. **Resolution to Approve General Education and Breadth Program Proposed.** first reading. This issue will be taken up at the May 14 Senate meeting.
- IV. **Adjournment:** MSP to adjourn at 4:55 pm.

Submitted by



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